## Chapter 2.0 Project Objectives

The proposed Gregory Canyon Landfill would provide disposal capacity to meet a portion of the integrated waste management needs of San Diego County. This chapter presents the objectives of the project.

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Section 15124(b) of the CEQA Guidelines states that an EIR must contain "A statement of the objectives sought by the proposed project." The section states the purpose of the objectives as follows: "A clearly written statement of objectives will help the lead agency develop a reasonable range of alternatives to evaluate in the EIR and will aid the decision makers in preparing findings or a statement of overriding considerations, if necessary." The same section also requires: "The statement of objectives should include the underlying purpose of the project."

The applicant has developed the following set of project objectives:

- Provide a Class III solid waste disposal facility that is locally available, cost effective, and provides a long-term solution (i.e., 25 years) for disposal of waste generated in North County jurisdictions. Such a facility will also provide additional capacity to the County solid waste system as a whole.
- Utilize a site that can accommodate a Class III nonhazardous municipal solid waste disposal facility designed in compliance with all applicable environmental and permitting requirements for a Class III facility.
- Provide the infrastructure facility necessary to support the long term economic growth projected in the region.
- Minimize potential impacts of solid waste disposal facilities upon adjoining land uses.
- Preserve competition among solid waste disposal sites serving northern San Diego County to minimize future tipping fees through the provision of additional landfill capacity.